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- 1. I TOLD IAEA DG EKLUND ABOUT OUR EXPECTED PEACEFUL NUCLEAR COOPERATION INITIATIVES AT THE SSOD, PER REFTEL. HE EXPRESSED GREAT APPRECIATION FOR OUR PROPOSED STEPS. HE ASKED WHETHER THIS WOULD BE IN ADDITION TO OUR REGULAR CONTRIBUTIONS AND GIFTS IN KIND. I READ HIM PARA. 3(C) REFTEL A SECOND TIME.
- 2. COMMENT. LET ME STATE THE OBVIOUS. AS DR.
 EKLUND'S QUERY INDICATES, OUR INITIATIVES WILL BE MEANINGFUL AND WILL BE PERCEIVED AS SUCH BY THE DEVELOPING
 COUNTRIES AND EVEN THE IAEA ONLY IF THEY ARE IN FACT OVER
 AND ABOVE OUR REGULAR CONTRIBUTIONS TO AGENCY'S TECHNICAL
 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, BOTH NOW AND IN THE FUTURE. THEY
 WILL LOSE THEIR FORCE AND COULD INDEED BE JUDGED AS
 RETROGRESSION IF THEY ARE USED AS SUBSTITUTES FOR OUR
 RELATIVELY MORE FLEXIBLE-AND GRADUALLY INCREASING-VOLUNTARY
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CONTRIBUTIONS AND ASSISTANCE. END COMMENT.

3. EKLUND SAID HE MIGHT MENTION IN HIS JUNE 1 SSOD SPEECH THE IMPORTANCE OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND PROVISION OF ENRICHED MATERIAL IN GENERAL TERMS. HE AGREED TO KEEP OUR CONTEMPLATED INITIATIVES COMPLETELY CONFIDENTIAL UNTIL HE WAS INFORMED THEY HAD BEEN ANNOUNCED.

4. COMMENT. IT WOULD BE MOST HELPFUL IF WE COULD BE INFORMED AS SOON AS ANNOUNCEMENT IS MADE-OR ITS TIMING AND PRECISE NATURE FIXED-SO I COULD INFORM EKLUND BEFORE HIS MAY 31 DEPARTURE FOR NEW YORK. END COMMENT. . KIRK

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